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- 1. SEPTEMBER 20 FOREIGN MINISTRY (KY) TOLD US THAT THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN HAD IN THE MORNING PRESS BRIEFING MADE A "TERRIBLE MISTAKE." WHEN ASKED WHAT THE GVN WOULD DO IF THE COMMUNISTS WOULD NOT MOVE THE MISSILES AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONS FROM THE TWELVE AIRFIELDS THEY HAVE BEEN BUILDING OR REPAIRING IN SOUTH VIETNAM, THE SPOKESMAN HAD REPLIED, "WE WILL BOMB THEM." THIS UNDOUBTEDLY WHAT GAVE RISE TO RUETER REPORT MENTIONED PARA 4 OF REFTEL.
- 2. KY SAID SPOKESMAN WAS APPROPRIATELY CONTRITE FOR HIS SLIP. HE WILL NOT RETRACT BUT WILL SPEAK SOFTLY WITHOUT THREAT WHEN THE SUBJECT ARISES AGAIN. APPLING

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